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PRESIDENT: Senator Clark.

SENATOR CLARK: Mr. President, members. Certainly if you're going to bracket this bill till Wednesday it's dead. I don't think it's physically possible to get that bill over to Final Reading and read when it has to lay there one day. It would be impossible to do it unless you're going to take an extra day and come back in a week or two weeks. I don't think it's possible to do it. Whether the bill is needed or not, I don't really know. If it is needed I think we're going to have to go ahead with it now and not bracket the bill.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lewis, are you ready to close argument on bracketing?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: I'd ask one question of Senator Burbach.

PRESIDENT: Senator Koch's light came on. I'd like to recognize him before you close.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. President, members of the body. I have a question of Senator Burbach. I think it's ...

PRESIDENT: Senator Burbach, could you approach a microphone please.

SENATOR KOCH: Senator Burbach, it appears that one of our biggest problems here for some reason we don't want to use our full 90 days. Do you think that in view of what we're talking about now in bracketing a major tax bill that 90 days shouldn't be used?

SENATOR BURBACH: Oh listen I have no objection if it's 90 days if we can do our work. Just working with Mr. Burnett here at this time ... I want to alert everybody of the consequences. If we go for a 90 day session we very likely will be in session today, tomorrow and Wednesday, and return Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 28th, 29th and 30th. There's also another question of maybe coming back two days next week and one day the next week. This is a possibility not necessarily a reality. It's one of the concerns that I have in meeting three days this week and three days next week. That makes 90 days. It could be possible that we would not be ready for the Friday meeting ... or maybe the Thursday meeting because all bills need to be advanced, as Senator Dworak does every morning to move to the next stage. Now in an 89 day session, which would conclude on May 23rd, I think we could be safe in saying those things that are on Select File at this time ... that's 507, 325, 589, and I think 216 ... I think we must recognize 216 or we'll come back for a special session. Those of you who do not know what 216 is it's just a vehicle to fund the community technical colleges. I think that can be done with our 89 days. Maybe ... and I say maybe some of those bills on E & R initial which will be over about 11 o'clock, beyond Select File for discussion ... I don't know how many more we can handle in the 90 days than we can in 89 on Select File of that group we have over here.